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THURSDAY

April 22, 1999



Q & A

Could a Denver shooting happen at a Valley high school? **page 3**

The Student Newspaper of The University of Texas-Pan American

15 people, including gunmen, dead in Colorado massacre

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

LITTLETON, Colo. - Two heavily armed students dressed in black stormed through a suburban Denver high school Tuesday in a bloody rampage that left as many as 15 students and teachers dead.

The gunmen wounded more than 20 others, many critically, and laughed and joked as they fired and triggered pipe bombs, students said. Police later found the attackers' bodies in the library of Columbine High School. They apparently killed themselves at the end of what Jefferson County Sheriff John Stone described as "a suicide mission."

Several students said the gunmen targeted minorities and athletes.

Late Tuesday, bomb crews were preparing to detonate two pipe bombs found inside the gunmen's cars in the school parking lot and other explosives found on and near the gunmen's bodies, Sheriff's Deputy Steve Davis said. One of the bombs was rigged to blow up a gas tank, Sheriff Stone said.

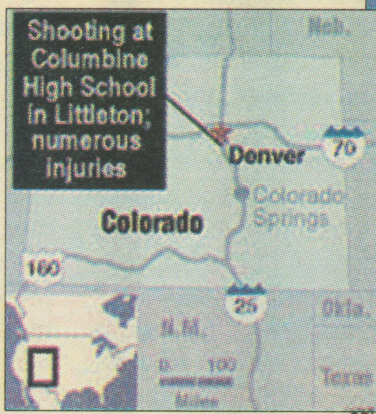
Just before 11 p.m., another bomb set on a timer exploded at the school. At least 12 other bombs were found inside the building, some set up as booby traps, Sheriff Stone said.

"It's like walking through a minefield," he said.

Police also found materials for

TRAGEDY IN THE ROCKIES

Columbine High School 9th grader Lauren Moulton, 14, is reunited with her mother, Kate Moulton, Tuesday afternoon at Leawood Elementary School, where parents were sent to wait for their kids. Lauren and her mom were reunited more than two hours after the shooting began at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado.



-CPX

Location of shooting at Columbine High School

explosives at the home of one gunman. They planned a final sweep through the school before allowing detectives and the coroner inside to begin their investigation.

Only then will officials know whether Sheriff Stone's estimate of the death toll, based on SWAT team reports, was accurate, he said.

But even after hours of painstaking work inside the building, police still moved methodically from room to room, searching for explosives they might have missed and carefully searching each room to protect the evidence.

And as they worked, they moved past the dead, who would remain where they fell "for a very long time," Deputy Davis said, until police were sure everything was secure.

Police have identified the assailants as juniors Eric Harris, 18, and Dylan Klebold. Fellow students said the young men were members of the "Trench Coat Mafia" - a group of perhaps a dozen male students, almost all

of them seniors, who dressed in black trench coats, shared a love of guns and occasionally wore swastikas and Nazi slogans on their dark clothing.

Even in a student body of more than 1,900, they were distinctively different. And though they were occasionally disruptive and often preoccupied with death, no one at Columbine High could have imagined the attack's incredible carnage.

Bodies lay draped one atop another in the school's stairwells, in the cafeteria and the library, Sheriff Stone said. And the shaken students who survived the late-morning attack spoke of the gunmen's savage and casual cruelty.

"There was a girl crouched beneath a desk, and the guy came over and said, 'Peek-a-boo!' and shot her in the neck," said sophomore Bryon Kirland, 15.

Aaron Cohn, a 17-year-old junior, said he was in the library when the two gunmen - one of them a youth who lived three doors down from him - entered wearing trench

coats.

First, he said, they threw pipe bombs that wounded some of his classmates. Then one attacker called out, "All the jocks stand up - I'm going to kill every single one of you," Mr. Cohn said.

The killers began shooting. When someone survived the initial round and cried out in pain, he said, "they just kept shooting them until they were dead. They were laughing, hooting and hollering."

"They were having the best time of their lives," he said.

Most of the victims were white,



The staging area outside of Columbine High School is seen Tuesday in Littleton, Colorado.

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I'm really disappointed in the newspaper for C- performance in coverage of campus events and developments. Although I could not attend, I did see publicity regarding the campus talk by "advertising pioneer" Dalia Almanza-Smith. Your coverage in [yesterday's] paper doesn't deserve to be called a joke, because it isn't funny. You provide ZERO coverage of the news story which is her actual presentation, who attended, what was said, and whether a "pioneer" had anything of value to share with our students. Instead, you

run a "special" which was the advance piece put together by whoever brought her down. Is this how you'll run a newspaper when you graduate? If so, let me unsubscribe now.

Secondly, compliments on the front page article on students who achieve distinction by making special presentations at Communications Conferences. However, once again, you run a "special" which contains no information about what they actually had to say about the "Real World" MTV show and their other research topics.

Neither of these articles was "special".

Do you put this same effort into major issues like the tuition increase, new student union building, professor evaluations and how they're used to improve the education your receive, etc? Please! Hire some reporters and put out a newspaper, not the Town Crier a la panamericana.

Thanks for taking these body shots.

—Robert Ramirez

The unintended effects of welfare

By AYLAKARCA
The Daily Tar Heel

Although President Clinton announced last December that the end of welfare was near, there are still many problems with the welfare reform system that need to be addressed.

In many states, the number of people relying on welfare has dropped considerably. In Wisconsin, 91 percent of its former welfare recipients no longer receive government aid. Here in North Carolina, along with most other states, the decrease is near 50 percent.

In a purely statistical point of view, this is great. Half of the people formerly cluttering the welfare rolls are no longer eligible for benefits.

Realistically, however, there is no evidence that shows that these former welfare recipients are now able to provide for themselves.

Half of these former welfare recipients are no better off today than when they were receiving aid from the government. Even more disturbing, these former recipients were dropped off the roll not because they could provide for them-

selves, but because they violated either the government-imposed two-year limit or nitpicky job placement rules, said political science

Professor Joel Schwartz.

Let's say a welfare recipient finds a job offer on the other side of town. This person relies on public transportation to get to his interview, but because the bus is running late, he is unable to make it to his interview on time.

Unfortunately for him, the government has come up with a set of rules such as showing up to an interview on time for its job placement program. When these rules are broken, whether it is recipient's fault or not, he is automatically dropped off the roll.

Kicking welfare recipients to the curb because they have violated some petty rule or another does not end poverty. From the beginning, the government has tried too hard just to reach a goal of fewer welfare recipients instead of working to end poverty.

The government knows these former welfare recipients are not off the streets. Federal officials have actually documented that half of all former welfare recipi-

ents are still living in poverty and are not getting the medical attention they and their dependents need. In an attempt to fix its mistake, the government is trying to get back in touch with those they

dropped off their list to let them know of the Medicare that's available to them.

There's certainly money available to allow them to contact former recipients. When talks of welfare reform first began, states were allotted money to set up programs to help end poverty. However, with the rolls half empty, not all of the money is being used for its intended purpose.

Obviously, the government has rushed welfare reform and cheated individuals of the aid that they deserved. Sure, one day we might have fewer welfare recipients, but we cannot hurry the process too much.

States should use the welfare money they have left over to provide better child-care, transportation and medical attention to those currently on welfare. They might even want to consider putting former recipients on current welfare rolls.

We may be closer to ending welfare, but we are in no way at the end.



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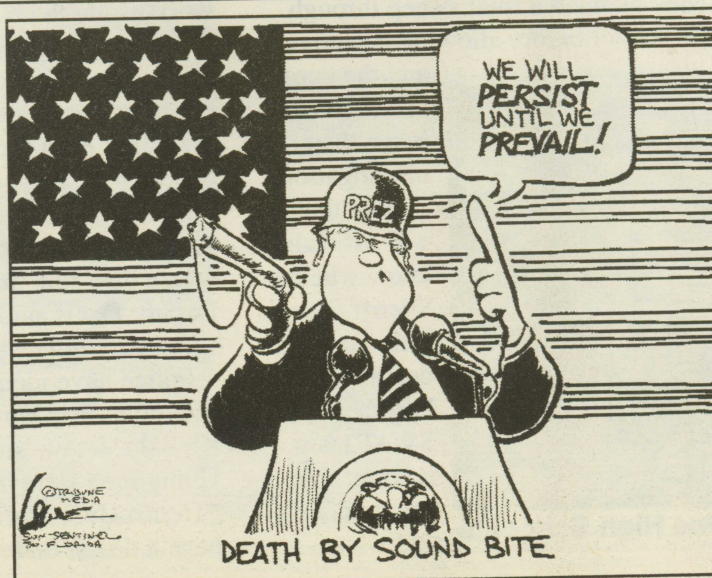
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Q & A

Do you think that a shooting, like the one in Denver, could be repeated in a Valley school?

— Shane James



Humberto Salinas
Sophomore
Accounting

Yes. There's always a possibility that it can occur anywhere. It can definitely occur in a Valley school where groups that feel ridiculed or left-out could copy what they've seen in the news.

Jennifer Champion
Junior

Rehabilitative Services

Yes. It can happen anywhere. Kids are taking revenge on their classmates when they feel they are being outcast by their peers.



Jennifer L. Venecia
Sophomore
Engineering

No, because things like that don't usually happen in the Valley. Students can't be too divided because they are very worried about fitting in.



Zilda Mendoza
Senior
Criminal Justice

Yes, because it can happen anywhere. In every town in America, kids may feel ridiculed and may want to take revenge on those that picked on them like in the Colorado shootings.



Kristin Lee
Freshman
Psychology

Yes, because it was an act of random insanity. Insanity surrounds us and can be sparked by any frivolous thing that disturbs anyone.



Campus Briefs

College of Business hosts Valley Career Day

University Relations

Representative from more than 50 local and national businesses will gather for the Second Annual Valley Career Day from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at The UTPA Ballroom.

"This gathering of businesses creates an environment which gives an opportunity for UTPA students to interact with local as well as national businesses," said Rosie Falcon, career day coordinator for the UTPA College of Business Administration. "It's the perfect opportunity for students to explore their options."

Falcon said students will get the chance to apply and interview for internships and part-time and full-time

positions with the more than 50 companies participating in the program.

"We're expecting a good turnout this year," Falcon said. "Last year, we had between 500 and 700 students take interest in the program, and it looks like there is going to be even more student interest this year."

Falcon said businesses such as New York Life, XEROX, Sears, Edinburg Consolidated Independent School District, State Farm, Blockbuster Inc., General Mills Inc., Target, The Wornick Company, Wal-mart and many others will be attending Career Day.

Free food and drinks donated by some of the companies participating in program will be available.

University Galleries announce summer schedule

University Relations

The University Gallery will be presenting the Annual Student Art Exhibition and Competition May 5 through September 4. The reception and award ceremony for this event will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on May 5 in the COAS building. The tradition of fine art work continues this year with all media being presented and a new award in the area of graphic design and the new University Galleries Award.

The Clark Gallery will present the works of Valley favorite Xavier Garza May 11 through June 20. The pre-opening for this show of mixed media paintings will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on May 11. Published authors Xavier Garza and Rene Saldana will be reading. This promises to be a wonderful event with art, literature, and food all provided free to the public and university community. A second lecture, for the students of UTPA will be given at noon on June 10 in FIAB 135.

UTPA has two art galleries on its main campus; the Charles and Dorothy Clark Gallery located in the Fine Arts Complex and the University Gallery in the Communication Arts and Sciences Building (COAS).

The galleries also offer temporary exhibitions by award winning contemporary artists from around the United States and Mexico, as well as BFA student shows. The University's Permanent Collection is housed in the Lamar Art Gallery located on Schunior Road within the Lamar School Building, room #7.

UTPA is home to an extensive collection created by professional working artists which includes paintings, prints, art exhibition posters from around the world, modern sculpture, and local artifacts. The collection includes pieces by Salvador Dali, Eduardo Garcia, Man Ray, Francis Picabia, and Francisco Goya, and the Lamar space also showcases oil paintings from the Shay Estate in Mission.

APRIL

22-23 ART EXHIBITION: UTPA Art Galleries present "Art Mart" featuring works by Fidel Aleman in the Clark Art Gallery. Reception will be held from 7 - 9 p.m. April 22 at the Clark Art Gallery.

22-25 MUSICAL: The Music Department and the University Theatre are presenting the musical "Brigadoon" at 8 p.m. Thursday - Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

22-30 ART EXHIBIT: UTPA Art Galleries present "Lux Divina," a Bachelor of Fine Art Exhibition featuring works by Corinne Brown and Aleida Garcia through April 30 in the University Gallery in the COAS Building.

22 ACTIVITY: The Office of the Dean of Students, in collaboration with Credit Counseling Services will offer free credit counseling from Noon - 1:30 p.m. in UC 307 and 307-A.

22 LECTURE: Dr. Rob Johnson is presenting a lecture on his book, "Fantasmas: Supernatural Tales by Mexican-American Writers" at Noon in COAS 268.

22 ART RECEPTION: UTPA Art Galleries present a reception for Fidel Aleman from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Clark Gallery.

22 MEETING: The Fencing Club is meeting from 8 - 10 p.m. in the Dance Hall.

26 ART EXHIBITION: UTPA Art Galleries present the Bachelor of Fine Arts Group Exhibition through May 8 in the Clark Art Gallery.

26 CAREER DAY: The Office of Placement & Cooperative Education is sponsoring a Health Career Day from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the University Ballroom.

26 CLINIC: The WIC Mobile Unit will be parked in front of Emilia Hall from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. WIC provides services for university students, faculty, and staff who are pregnant, or have children under 5 years of age.

27 HEALTH FAIR: Student Health Services is hosting the Spring Fling Health Fair from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the University Ballroom. There will be free health giveaways, health information, blood pressure screening, blood sugar screening, and much more.

27 MEETING: The Pre-Medical/Bio-Medical Society is meeting at Noon in the Science Building, room 1.288. Everyone is welcome to attend.

27 CONCERT: The Music Department is presenting a UTPA Choir Concert at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

27 MEETING: The Fencing Club is meeting from 8 - 10 p.m. in the Dance Hall.

29 ART RECEPTION: UTPA Art Galleries present a reception for the BFA Group Exhibition from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Clark Art Gallery.

29 MEETING: The Fencing Club is meeting from 8 - 10 p.m. in the Dance Hall.

30 CONCERT: The Music Department is presenting a UTPA String Ensemble Concert at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

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though the assailants referred to one black student with a racist epithet, Mr. Cohn said. "Then bang, bang, bang."

"Is he dead?" the shooter asked his partner, according to the witness.

"Yeah, he's dead," came the answer.

Late Tuesday, police were searching for white supremacist literature at the gunmen's homes.

One sobbing student said she watched fellow students fall all around her in the library. The gunmen laughed as they fired, killing the girl next to her and then a boy nearby before aiming at her.

The attack began without warning about 11:30 a.m. Denver time. The gunmen approached from across a nearby athletic field, opened fire on students eating lunch outside, then moved into the cafeteria and through the school building.

Hundreds of frantic students scrambled from the high school and others barricaded themselves in classrooms, huddled on the floor. Some jammed their bodies against restroom doors. A few climbed into ventilator shafts, crawling above the ceilings searching for safe rooms below. Some called home on their cell phones, whispering to their parents that they were hiding but were all right.

Freshman Kacey Brackney, 15, was in the school's gym when she heard gunshots. She and the other students locked themselves in the gym for 15 to 20 minutes before opening the doors and sprinting from the school to Clement Park nearby.

"When we locked the doors, I hit my knees and prayed," she said.

Once she escaped, she wandered through the upper-middle-class neighborhood around the school, searching for her mother.

"It was hysterical crying," Kacey said of their reunion. "We were praising the Lord that we found each other."

SWAT teams used armored cars to enter the school and then crept through the building, searching for the gunmen and wounded students and leading others through windows and out doors.

But the gunmen had placed pipe bombs packed with nails around the school, and police progress was agonizingly slow. It took four hours before they reached the cafeteria and library, freeing the last of the students still trapped there.

The members of the Trench Coat Mafia were outsiders. No one disputes that.

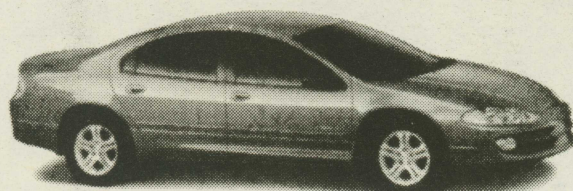
"They had a reputation for using drugs," junior Sean Kelly said, "and at times they made racial comments and other derogatory remarks" to the school's minority students.

Some students said the gunmen singled out athletes, who frequently picked on members of the group. Others said they fired first at the school's black and Hispanic students.

But as Sean put it, "it pretty much turned into a shooting spree with no real targets."

News of the shooting, particularly after Sheriff Stone's estimate of the death toll, shocked a nation already shaken by repeated cases of school violence.

New college grads wanted for upward career move.



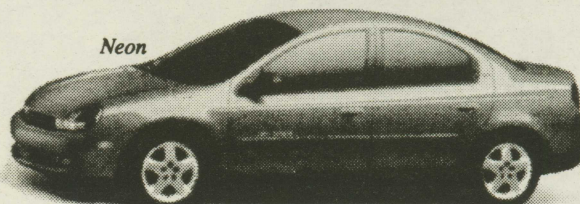
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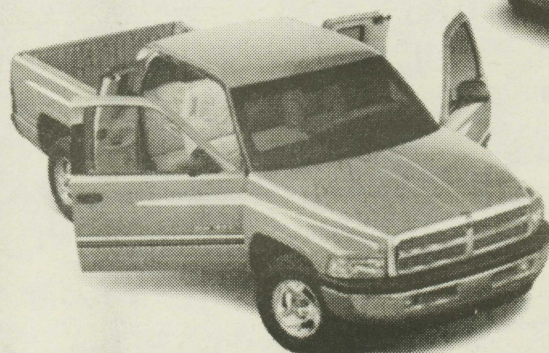
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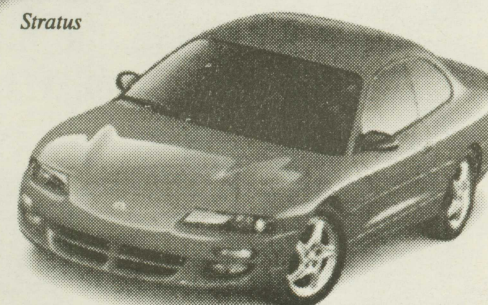
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Earth Day

By Aaron Baldwin

Photos by Shane James

Today marks the 29th anniversary of Earth Day. The man who is credited with the concept and who later became the chief organizer, former Sen. Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin, modeled the the first Earth Day after the anti-Vietnam teach-ins of the late 1960s. Approximately 20 million Americans participated in environmental rallies, demonstrations and other activities on the first Earth Day, which was originally called the "First Environmental Teach-In."

There are those that dispute when the actual Earth Day should be held. Some, such as the activist John McConnell, believe that the actual Earth Day should be held on March 20 or 21, the day of the spring equinox, when day and night are equal on both hemispheres. Nevertheless, the sentiment is the same; preserve the Earth and you will preserve those that depend on it for existence.

Since that first Earth Day, air quality in the U.S. has improved, (an estimated 42% since 1980), automobile pollutants have been drastically reduced in the last thirty years, in spite of a doubling of vehicle miles traveled during that time. In addi-

tion, water quality has increased so much that an overwhelming majority of America's streams, lakes and estuaries are considered safe to swim in. Technological improvements have allowed the U.S. to produce basic goods with more efficiency and less waste. Aluminum cans are two-thirds lighter than they were ten years ago, glass bottles have become 30% lighter within that same time span.

So what are some of the ways that we here at UTPA can continue this trend?

✓ Recycle waste paper; put those old copies of *The Pan American* into recycling bins around campus, place aluminum cans into their respective containers.

✓ Take those ideas home. Set up separate containers for recyclable goods and trash. Recycle your own aluminum cans, why not make a little extra cash?

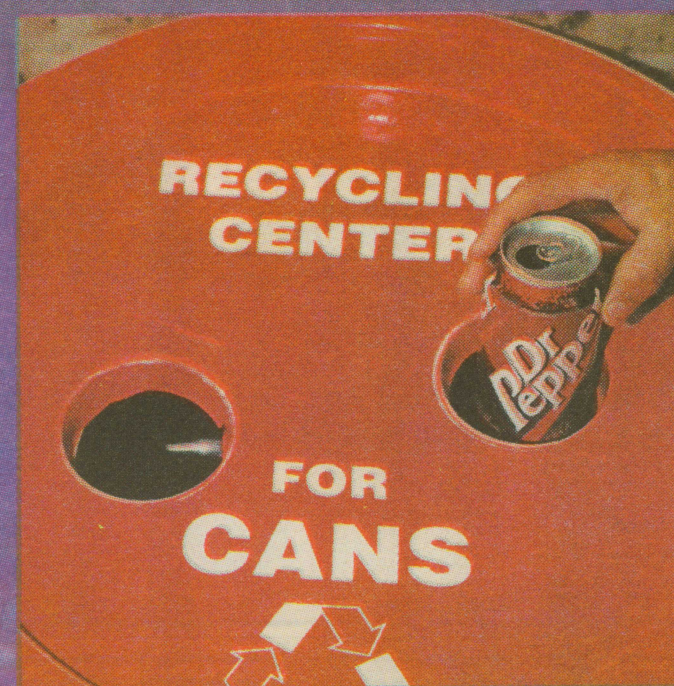
✓ If you change your own oil, take the used oil to to where it can be disposed of properly.

Practicing habits like these will allow us to continue to improve our Earth and the quality of our surroundings.

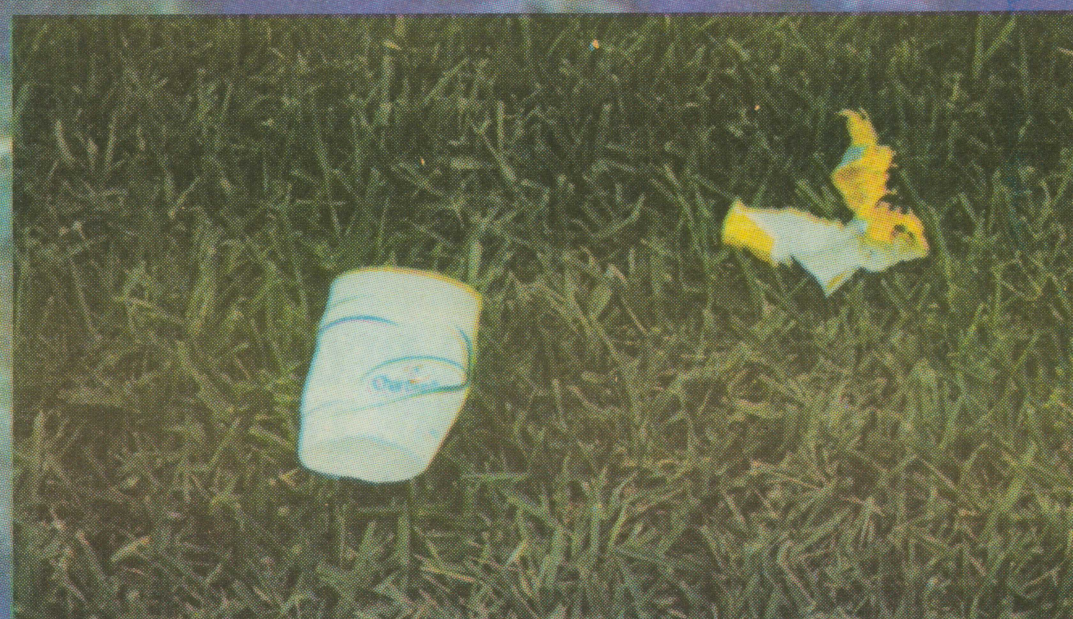
What are we doing at UTPA?



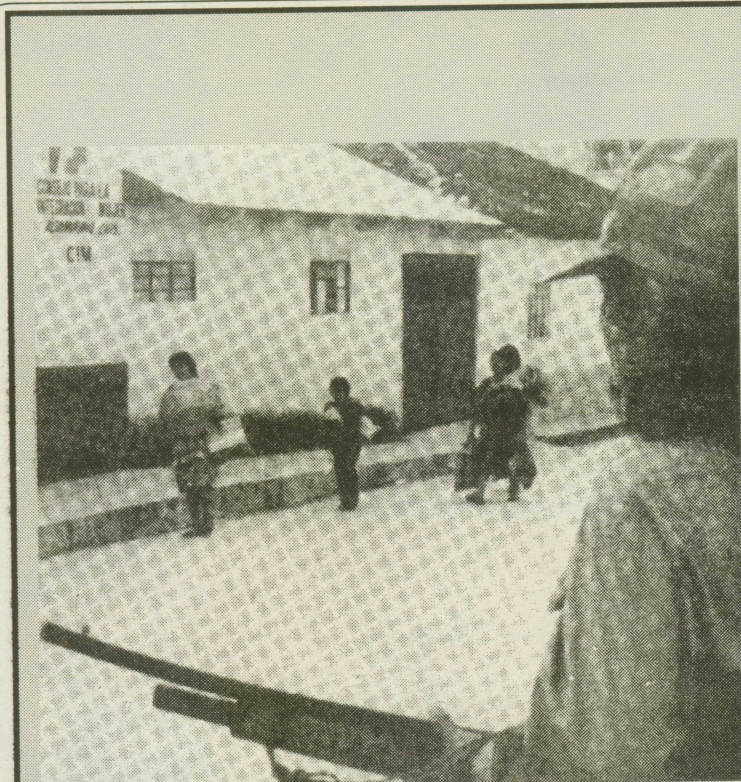
John Garza says she recycles paper and bottles on a regular basis.



Some students, such as John Garza (left), choose to use the recycling bins around campus, such as the one shown above.



Despite University efforts to make recycling available, students continue to leave trash around on campus, creating such scenes as shown to the left and above.



This was the year when Indian groups in Chiapas started to make a statement about the negative results of NAFTA.

Looking Back . . .

From the files of *The Pan American*

compiled by Stan Hernandez

5 Years Ago

April 28, 1994 – The same jetliner that flew him home after his resignation, flew him home for the last time Tuesday for his funeral in a flag-draped casket. Nixon's funeral was attended by every president since his presidency as well as thousands of other mourners and at least 55 nations sent delegates. He was welcomed home as howitzers boomed a 21-gun salute and a band playing "Hail to the Chief."

10 Years Ago

April 13, 1989 – One of the leading contemporary novelists in the Spanish language will be the presenter of Pan American University's next Living

Author Series. He is Mexican novelist Carlos Fuentes, author of "The Old Gringo." Fuentes is also a dramatist, short story writer, scriptwriter, essayist, and critic. He is regarded by many as Mexico's foremost contemporary novelist.

15 Years Ago

April 12, 1984 – The first Chili Cook-off was not financially successful and did not go as well as anticipated. The reason for the failure was because the Cook-off was behind schedule and some of the events did not take place. About 1,000 people showed up, but the results still were not good. The money raised will be donated to Easter Seals.

20 Years Ago

April 19, 1979 – It started out like any morning with the sun shining in the east, but once PAU students arrived on campus, they literally found the campus standing in water. The rains started the night before and eventually left PAU immobilized.

25 Years Ago

April 10, 1974 – The 1974 "El Bronco" is expected to arrive in about a week. Students taking nine or more hours will receive a yearbook by showing their student identification card. It may also be obtained by part time students and non-students for \$9 per copy.

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Students describe 'Trench Coat Mafia' as harassed, picked-on

LITTLETON, Colo. — Everybody calls them the "Trench Coat Mafia," a group of about a dozen reclusive students who wear black clothes and glasses, listen to macabre "Gothic" rock and are shunned by their peers.

But they seemed harmless enough, and students at Columbine High School didn't pay much attention to them until Tuesday, when two gunmen in black killed 25 of their friends.

As of late Tuesday, police had not named any suspects. Students, however, told news reporters that the two young men they saw shooting others at the school belong to the fringe group. What sparked their rage is unknown, but their actions have focused attention on a clique that students describe as brooding, prejudiced and "creepy."

"They always did their own thing, they kept to themselves," said Matt Carmichael, who said he went to elementary school with one of the young men he thought was one of the shooters. "They were

different, but everybody is different. I never thought they would do something like this. Look where we are — in the 'burbs, for God's sake."

While some students had never heard of the Trench Coat Mafia, the name seemed to roll off the tongue of others who said the group was well known — and often harassed — at Columbine, where counter-culture is not the norm.

"Kids get picked on," said senior Lucas Johnson. "They were harassed, not included. They were always on the outside looking in. There's always a group that gets picked on, but they seemed to like it that way."

"They're really big outcasts," said freshman Chris Masias. "They don't have anything to do with other people. They keep to themselves and are very secluded."

Descriptions of the group ranged from "kids who just hang out together and dress funny" to dark disciples of the occult who worship everyone from

shock-rocker Marilyn Manson to Adolph Hitler. The shooting took place on the anniversary of the German dictator's birth in 1889.

"They brag about their guns and joke about killing people," said one student who did not want to be identified.

Stephen Cohen, a senior, said the group is heavily into "gothic rock." Ardent followers of this sect tend to dress in black — clothes, sunglasses, lipstick — and idealize death.

"They listen to stuff like (rock group) Nine Inch Nails — not real happy stuff," Cohen said.

Some students said that one of the young men they thought was a gunman wrote poems about death in a creative writing class, which he had skipped just before the shooting began. Junior Brooke Allison said one of her friends was in a class with one of the young men that morning, and said he acted normal.

School district officials and local law enforcement officers said they had

never heard of the group. Yet one Columbine parent, Frances Allison, told The Gazette there's a picture of 11 members in the 1998 Columbine High School Yearbook that shows them smiling, arm-in-arm with this message: "Who says we're different?"

Insanity's healthy!"

It's featured in the yearbook section where students can take out their own ads, she said, and neither of the two suspected gunmen were pictured, or named in a list of 13 members.

The Trench Coat Mafia is thought to be an isolated group with no links elsewhere in the state school system, authorities say.

"They didn't seem like the type who would want to kill people," said Tiffany Sharpley, a 9th grader at Columbine. "They were recluses, but no one thought they could do something like this. I guess they just got fed up with everything and took it out on all of us."

One irate Columbine parent said the school has failed to clamp down on threatening behavior when it has had the chance.

Steven Greene said several athletes taunted his Jewish son while playing basketball, saying "Another shot for Hitler," and pinned him to the floor to beat him, Greene said. Despite repeated complaints to the principal and school board, he said, nothing was done to punish the students.

"Things like this don't happen overnight, it builds," Greene said. "The principal has to take action to protect his students, not look the other way until it's too late. This is a war zone here."

NATO officials document new reports Of atrocities against ethnic Albanians

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Unbowed by four weeks of NATO bombardment, Serbian forces used what one alliance official described as safari-like tactics to hunt ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, and reached across the border with Montenegro for the first time to attack Albanians.

At the same time, NATO officials documented new reports of atrocities against Albanians inside Kosovo, including the use of 700 boys as a blood bank for Serbian soldiers and the rape of cap-

tured women by Serbian soldiers in the city of Pec.

Limited by clouds and rain, NATO warplanes struck just 11 targets in more than 600 air missions Tuesday. But U.S. officials forecast clearer skies in days ahead.

As the air war entered its 28th day, the NATO alliance prepared for its 50th anniversary celebration this weekend in Washington. Once scheduled as a celebration, the gathering of heads of state now will spend their hours discussing such issues as whether to start a naval

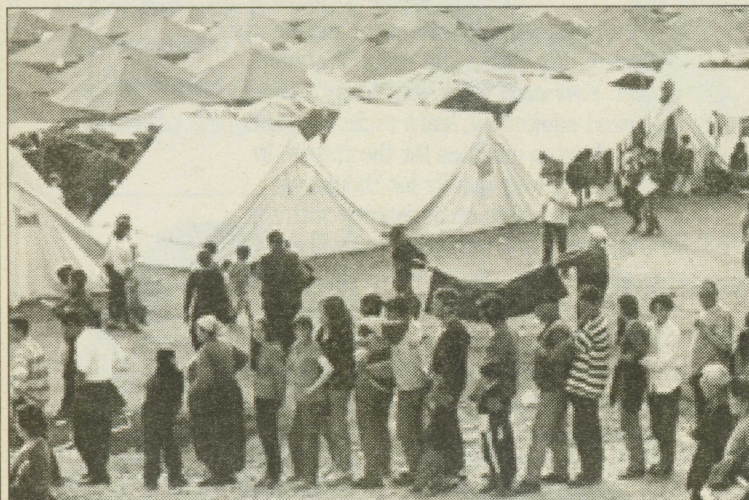
blockade to stop oil from reaching Yugoslavia. But they do not expect the alliance leaders to open the door to the use of ground troops.

In the Balkans, however, there was no sign that the war would end any time soon.

Serbian-lead Yugoslav Army forces crossed the border into Montenegro and attempted to clear out ethnic Albanians in villages there, NATO officials said. Though few details were available, NATO said the Serbs forced the ethnic Albanians out of their villages and away from the border.

"This is something rather new and distressful if this pattern is now spilling over elsewhere into Yugoslavia," said NATO spokesman Jamie Shea. "It can only exacerbate the problem, which is already of alarming proportions."

Alliance officials did not know if the Serb incursion was part of a broad attempt to "cleanse" the border area of ethnic Albanians, or an effort to destabilize the government of Montenegro.



— CPX

Serb forces are now attacking Albanians seeking refuge in camps located throughout neighboring Montenegro.



—CPX

Fran Allison, right, comforts her daughter Brooke after they were reunited at Columbine High School in Denver Tuesday. Two young men, said to be members of the "trench coat mafia," opened fire in the suburban high school, scattering students as gunshots ricocheted off lockers, witnesses say.

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Tragic shooting postpones games

DENVER –The shooting at Columbine High School in suburban Littleton, Colo., prompted the Denver Nuggets to postpone their game against the Portland Trail Blazers along with the Colorado Rockies and the Montreal Expos.

Nuggets General manager Dan Issel said the game likely will be rescheduled, probably on either April 27 or May 2.

The Montreal-Colorado game will be made up as part of a split doubleheader when the Expos return to Colorado for a three-games series Aug. 13-15.

Giants lose Bonds for two months

SAN FRANCISCO – Barry Bonds is out for at least two months after surgery on his throwing arm – the first significant injury to an All-Star player who rarely missed a game during his 12-year career.

The San Francisco Giants left fielder had surgery at Recovery Inn in Menlo Park to repair a triceps tendon and a

bone spur in his left elbow. He was placed on the 15-day disabled list for only the second time.

Bond's teammate, third baseman, Charlie Hayes was suspended for four games by the National League for charging Arizona's Todd Stottlemire last week and instigating a brawl.

Hayes and Stottlemire were also fined by NL president Len Coleman. Hayes decided not to appeal, and started serving the penalty Tuesday night. Stottlemire said he will not appeal the fine.

Watts gets 10 years for homicide

SOMERSET – Former Kentucky football player Jason Watts was sentenced to the maximum 10 years in prison for an alcohol-related truck crash that killed a teammate and another young man.

Watts, who turned 22 Monday, has been in the Pulaski County Detention Center since March 31, when he pleaded guilty to reckless homicide and volunteered to start serving time immediately.

Watts was immediately returned to

jail, and his attorney did not make himself available to comment.

The Nov. 15 crash on U.S. 27 north of Somerset injured Watts and killed teammate Arthur Steinmetz and Eastern Kentucky student Scott Brock.

Watts anchored a line that protected number one pick, Tim Couch.

Schott sells controlling interest

CINCINNATI – Marge Schott signed a \$67 million deal Tuesday to sell a controlling interest in the Cincinnati Reds to a group headed by Carl Lindner, currently one of the team's limited partners.

Schott, 70, owns 6 of the 15 shares in the team's partnership, including the shares that make her the general partner. She agreed to sell 5 of her shares, including the general partnershares, to Lindner and two other limited partners.

The deal, in which 36.6 percent of the Reds' shares would change hands, values the franchise at about \$182 million. The sale is subject to the approval of major league owners, a process that usually takes six to 15 months but might move faster in the case because

the purchasers already are in the partnership.

Hall of fame trainer passes on

LOS ANGELES – At 73, Charlie Whittingham became the oldest trainer to saddle a Kentucky Derby winner. That record stood just three years, when Whittingham returned to the winner's circle at Churchill Downs.

Whittingham, a Hall of Fame trainer, died Tuesday of leukemia. He was 86.

He was a three-time Eclipse Award winner, he worked with horses more than six decades.

He prepared more than 2,500 winners, with two of the greatest being Kentucky Derby winners Ferdinand (1986) and Sunday Silence (1989).

He was oldest again at 76 when Patrick Valenzuela rode Sunday Silence, who also won the 1989 Preakness.

After two of his colts were Kentucky Derby disappointments in the 1950s, Whittingham decided to stay away from the race until he had a chance to win. That absence lasted 26 years.

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K-State hands UTPA

By JOE LEAL
Sports Editor

It all fell apart for Omar Ortiz in one inning.

Ortiz lost his fourth straight game as the Kansas State Wildcats enjoyed the benefits of an explosive third inning taking game one of a two game set 9-4 at Dettler Stadium.

The Wildcats scored six runs on four hits in the third.

After a walk, second baseman Chad

Tabor advanced to third on a throwing error by Ortiz. Outfielder Kasey Weishaar then scored his only RBI of the game as he singled to left field scoring Tabor.

Then the floodgates opened.

After walks to third baseman Brett Reid and Quinn Cravens loaded the bases, Travis André collected his first of two RBI when he singled up the middle scoring Weishaar.

Later in the third, a double by outfielder Andy Silva scored André and first baseman Mark English, giving the

Wildcats a 7-0 edge.

For the Broncos, the loss adds on to their worst losing streak of the season. UTPA has dropped six straight going into their second game against KSU.

The Broncos are 7-13 in their last 20 games and haven't won a series since they took 3-of-4 from Yale back on March 13. Since their last game against Yale, opponents have outscored the Broncos 150-97.

Tuesday's loss leaves Ortiz with a 5-5 mark.

The Bronc bats were silenced for the

most part. UTPA managed nine hits in 34 at-bats and no baserunners in the second, third, and fourth innings.

K-State starter Brandon Peck threw five shut-out innings before UTPA could muster a run.

With runners on second and third, Dusty Hart's sacrifice fly scored Anthony Arteaga.

Arteaga reached on a lead-off double to left field. He advanced to third on fellow outfielder Wallace's bunt to the pitcher's mound.

The Broncos threatened in the top of the ninth.

After Gabe De La Garza grounded out, third baseman Andy Ness hit his 11th home run of the season.

With Arteaga and A.J. Seaholm on first and second respectively, Wallace singled to right, scoring Seaholm.

Seaholm hit his first homerun of the season in the seventh.

Reliever Tim Johnson struck out Hart looking to end the game.

The Broncos creep closer to .500 winning percentage with a 25-21 record.

Hill's first place performance Highlights Johnson Invitational

Sports Information

WACO—Dawne Hill, 5-foot-8 sophomore from McAllen, won the hammer throw to top some strong performances by the UTPA Lady Bronc at the Michael Johnson Invitational.

Hill heaved the hammer 134 feet, four inches to beat runnerup Rachal Roessler of host Baylor by a scant seven inches.

Rachal Drury took fourth in the women's pole vault at 9-5 3/4 and Kacey Warrick gave the Lady Broncos another good fourth in the strong field of major universities when she ran 3,000 meters in 10:31.06.

Perla Rios took 12th in the same race.

Judy Kotey cleared-37-6 to grab

eighth in the triple jump.

Olaya Teran ran 10th in the 800 at 2:20.2.

Sprinter Shari Galvin won the first preliminary heat in the 200 meter at 24.96 seconds, but the fast final was won at 23.76 by Sereta Lafayette of Baylor, so Galvin didn't score.

Eric Rodriguez took 10th in the triple jump at 44-4 1/4 for one of the UTPA men's top performances.

Chris Vega finished third, David Ozuna fourth.

Bobby Flores and Javier Treviño both finished fifth in preliminaries of the 200 and 400 meter, but none scored in the finals.

The Broncos now head to the Last Chance Meet held in Baton Rouge and hosted by Louisiana State University.

Duncan Spurs MVP talk in Utah

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY – Tim Duncan was definitely the Spurs' most valuable player on Tuesday night – and he might just be the NBA's MVP with a few more performances like that. His 36 points, 10 rebounds and seven blocked shots were the keys to San Antonio's 83-69 win over Utah.

"I felt great out there, as you could see," Duncan said. "This was a big game for us, and we responded like a very good team has to do."

Duncan, 22, ran roughshod over Utah's vaunted defense, scoring at will from inside or outside and shooting 15-of-24 from the field. He also helped hold Karl Malone, considered one of the top candidates for MVP, to six points in the fourth quarter.

The loss snapped Utah's 11-game winning streak and pulled the Spurs three games behind the Jazz for the league's best record. San Antonio also clinched a playoff spot in the Western Conference.

"It was the kind of game you'd expect with the rivalry that exists here," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "These guys have beaten us 97 out of 100, I think."

The Jazz had beaten the Spurs eight of the last nine meetings, including four of five in last year's conference semifinals.

With his dominating performance, Duncan more than covered for a foul-

plagued game from his Twin Towers partner, David Robinson.

Duncan had 14 points in the third quarter as the Spurs built a sizable lead over the out-of-sync Jazz, who shot just 35.4 percent in the game.

The Spurs have won four straight games, with their last three coming against Portland,

Houston and Utah. San Antonio also snapped a three-game road losing streak.

Utah lost for the first time in April and for just the second time at home this season.

After losing to the Jazz at home on Feb. 28, San Antonio was 6-8; since then, the Spurs are 23-4.

"Right after they beat us at home, we obviously weren't playing well," Popovich said. "Right after that, we started playing very well. So I guess they woke us up."

Duncan dominated the game early, getting 13 points, five rebounds and five blocks in the first half as the Spurs led by double digits. Only three personal fouls prevented him from doing more damage, as the Jazz threw several ill-equipped defenders at Duncan with no success.

Malik Rose had a huge game off the bench for San Antonio, grabbing 11 rebounds, blocking three shots and playing solid defense on Malone. Robinson had 12 points on 3-of-12 shooting, and Sean Elliott added 11.

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Strawberry's legal trouble Linked with chemotherapy

By **BOB KLAPISCH**
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Doctors who examined Darryl Strawberry last weekend are suggesting his arrest on drug and solicitation charges may have been triggered by clinical depression brought on by chemotherapy.

That possibility has been raised by psychiatrists who questioned Strawberry in New York on Sunday, and it could affect how Major League Baseball ultimately resolves his case.

Instead of punishment, commissioner Bud Selig is mulling medical treatment.

That solution is a good-news, bad-news development for Strawberry.

Since the first of two drug tests administered came up negative, he has avoided immediate suspension from baseball. But doctors could conceivably ask him to submit to intensive in-patient care that could further delay Strawberry's return to the Yankees - assuming George Steinbrenner still wants him.

Yet, this is the first time doctors have offered an explanation for Strawberry's behavior. Chemotherapy may have created a chemical imbalance in his already-fragile system.

That, combined with Strawberry's growing worries that the Yankees no longer needed his services, could explain his depression and the series of self-destructive decisions he made April 14. Strawberry is awaiting arraignment for allegedly propositioning a female undercover police officer and for possession of three-tenths of a gram of cocaine.

"There are forces here that may have been beyond his psychological control," said one person close to Strawberry. Yankees observers noted in spring training a noticeable edge to his personality, which coincided with his

chemotherapy.

Whether this explanation carries any weight with Steinbrenner remains to be seen. Strawberry remains separated from the club, which has stopped payment on his \$2.5 million contract and has instructed him not to show up at the club's facility in Tampa, Fla.

In addition, general manager Brian Cashman said the Yankees had no new information regarding Strawberry's drug tests, saying that MLB "tells us we're on a need-to-know basis right now. Those tests are between Darryl and his doctors."

In the meantime, Strawberry's attorney, Joseph Ficarrotta, said he's moving "as expeditiously as possible" toward an arraignment date, still two to three weeks away, "so Darryl can tell his side of the story."

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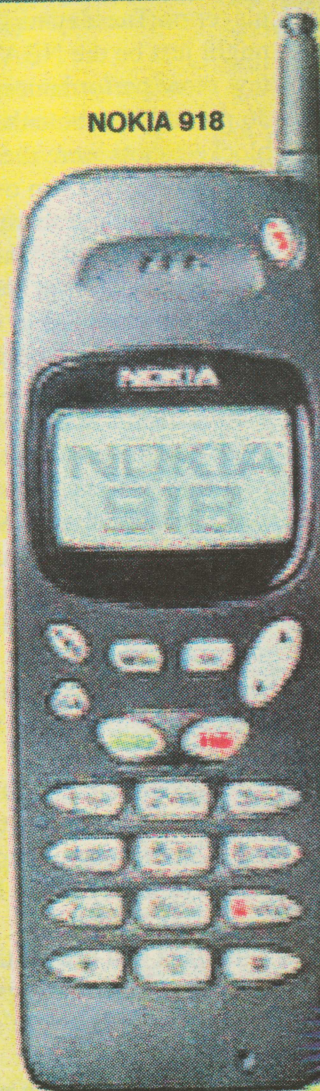
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